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SECTION B: CONTRACT TYPE, SUPPLIES OR SERVICES AND PRICE/COST

- **B.1** The District of Columbia Office of the Attorney General (herein referred to as "the District" or "OAG"), Cure the Streets (CTS) Initiative is seeking a contractor to provide grant program support services to include reviewing and evaluating submitted FY24 grant applications which include budget submissions and proposed outcomes and deliverables.
- **B.2** The District contemplates award of a fixed unit price contract.

B.3 PRICE SCHEDULE – Base Period

Contract	Description	Estimated	Unit Price per	Estimated Total
Line Item		Quantity	Grant	
Number			Application	
(CLIN)				
0001	Grant Review Services as outlined in section C.	20		

SECTION C: SPECIFICATIONS/WORK STATEMENT

C.1. SCOPE:

The Office of the Attorney General (OAG), Cure the Streets Initiative requires program support services to include reviewing and evaluating submitted FY24 grant applications, including budget submissions and proposed outcomes and deliverables resulting in award recommendations.

Services will primarily be performed off-site unless the Contractor is required to attend meetings at OAG. OAG will provide a 3-day notice before convening an onsite meeting.

C.2. BACKGROUND

Cure the Streets (CTS) is a public safety program aimed at reducing gun violence in the neighborhoods in which it operates. CTS uses a data-driven, public-health approach to gun violence by treating it as a disease that can be interrupted, treated, and stopped from spreading.

Cure the Streets is based on the Cure Violence Global model, which employs local, credible individuals who have deep ties to the neighborhood in which they work. These "Violence Interrupters" de-escalate situations and attempt to avert potentially fatal shootings. They work to develop inroads and build relationships with key individuals so that they become privy to information that will enable them to detect and mediate conflicts and prevent shootings. The CTS teams also develop public education strategies that raise awareness of and denounce gun violence. Additionally, the Outreach Workers and Violence Interrupters provide support to victims of gun violence and endeavor to change community norms. They speak out against a culture of violence that has (in some cases) become socially accepted. This involves social media, mass media, and in person community outreach.

The Cure Violence public health approach to violence reduction has had success in cities across the country. Of course, it is not solution by itself. But OAG believes it is an important part of an overall crime reduction plan that includes the critical work of police, prosecutors, cross and multi-agency trauma reduction services, and workforce development.

The CTS Team issues grants to non-profit Community-Based Organizations (CBOs) to operate Cure the Streets programs, in selected target areas, in partnership with OAG. OAG issues a Request for Application for each grant period.

On average 15-20 applications are received for each grant round. Typically, the applications include narratives up to 10 pages in length and a line-item budget breakdown with justification ranging from 2-4 pages.

Historically, OAG has paid less than \$1,000 per application for review services.

C.3. REQUIREMENTS

C.3.1 Within three (3) days of contract award, the Contractor's liaison/lead personnel shall participate in a video conference project kick-off meeting with the CTS Team to discuss the project scope

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and timelines.

- C.3.1.1 The CA will provide the Contractor with the application process timeline for the next grant round which will include the date applications are due. At minimum ten (10) days prior to the established application due date, the Contractor shall provide, to the CA, a list of Reviewers to be assigned as the review committee. If the list of Reviewers includes an individual(s) that was not included in the Contractor's response to solicitation DCCB-2023-R-0032, the Contractor must provide, to the CA for review and acceptance, a resume that demonstrates the Reviewers qualifications.
- C.3.2 Upon receipt of assignment and set of grant applications, the Contractor and each Reviewer shall complete and submit, to the CA, a Conflict of Interest (COI) Disclosure Affidavit (Attachment J.3) and a Participation and Confidentiality Agreement (Attachment J.4). If any perceived or actual COI is identified, OAG will review the situation and make an appropriate decision. If there is in fact a perceived or actual conflict, the CA will notify the Contractor that the Reviewer is recused from evaluating the application in question, and the Contractor shall assign an equally qualified replacement Reviewer within 24 hours of confirmed receipt of that notification.
- **C.3.3** Reviewers shall independently review each assigned grant application, which typically includes the applicant's (1) Project Summary, (2) Narrative, (3) Budget and Budget Justification (4) Statement of Outcomes and Deliverables and (5) Eligibility.
- **C.3.3.1** Reviewers shall evaluate each grant application solely in accordance with the evaluation criteria published in the Request for Application (RFA). Prior to submitting the final Grant Review Packet, the Reviewers shall direct any questions or requests for clarification regarding an applicant or application to the CA in writing. Reviewers *shall* not contact the applicant directly. The CTS Grant Team will contact the applicant to request clarifications. Typically, the applicant will have 24 hours to respond to a request.
- **C.3.3.2** Reviewers shall utilize the Cure the Streets Rubric Template (Attachment J.7), and complete the following for each grant application:
 - a. Scoring
 - b. Ranking
 - c. Comments
 - d. Request for Clarifications, if applicable
- **C.3.4** Reviewers shall prepare and submit, to the CA, a completed Grant Evaluation Packet for each grant application reviewed within eleven (11) days of the date received, if no clarifications from the applicant are requested. If there are requests for clarifications, the Reviewer shall submit the requests to the CA within seven (7) days of the date the application was received by the Reviewer. The CA will request the clarifications from the applicant. The Reviewer will have five (5) days from receipt of the clarification responses to update the Grant Evaluation Packet and submit the packet to the CA. The Contractor shall have a quality assurance process in place to review the packet for errors, omissions, completeness, and sound justifications for award

recommendations, prior to submission.

- **C.3.4.1** Reviewers shall ensure that the Grant Evaluation Packet includes the following:
 - 1. Summary Report (SR): The cover page and overview of evaluation packet being submitted. **Note:** The SR shall be signed and dated by the supervisory representative of the Contractor indicating that the packet is complete; and submitted electronically to the CA. The SR shall also contain the total number of grant applications reviewed, scored, and comments sorted by Cure the Streets target area (target neighborhoods) and by ward;
 - 2. List of all applicants (by CBO name and grant amount requested);
 - 3. Total number grantees recommended with the names of the CBOs; and
 - 4. Total number of grant applications and the names of the vendors not recommended.
 - 5. Individual applicant evaluations, including recommendation for award or no award, and associated justification.
- C.3.5 Reviewers shall participate in a post review meeting within seven (7) days of the delivery of accepted Grant Evaluation Packet to provide feedback on the grant review performance and procedures. An accepted Grant Evaluation Packet is defined as one reviewed and verified by OAG as including all applicants and information described in C.3.3.2 and C.3.4.1 above. If the Packet is determined to be unacceptable (e.g., incomplete, contains errors, fails to adhere to scoring template, fails to provide adequate justification for award recommendation), the CA will notify the Contractor of the deficiencies. The Contractor shall correct the deficiencies within three (3) days of notification at no additional cost to OAG. If the Contractor fails to correct the deficiencies within three (3) days and the CA has notified the Contractor of rejection of the packet, the Contractor shall not bill OAG for the review services that relate to the application(s) in question. OAG reserves the right to conduct an independent review and evaluation of all grant applications and make alternative recommendations.
- **C.3.6** The Contractor shall adhere to all OAG policies and procedures for recordkeeping, documentation, and the overall process for grants operations.
 - 1. All application information and materials reviewed in connection with the RFAs are the proprietary information of the Office of the Attorney General. That information and materials shall not be released to any persons or entities outside of the review committee without the prior express written consent of the CTS Grants Team. The Contractor shall return or destroy all applications and supplemental information provided to it by OAG after the completion of services.
 - 2. If the copies of records from review committee members have substantive notes or comments, the Contractor shall maintain these records for a period of three years in a secure location in the event of an audit. Extra copies of documents that are only for reference use, e.g., copies of the RFA, are non-record materials and should be destroyed after the review.
 - 3. All discussions, evaluations, or other matters related to the assessment of applications to the RFA or business of the District generally shall not be shared with

any persons or entities outside of the review committee without the prior express written consent of the Grant Administrator.

C.4. Contractor Qualifications Requirements

- 1. The selected Contractor shall have provided grant support services including preparation of grant application evaluation reports for other government agencies and/or other similar clients.
- 2. The selected Contractor team shall include at least three (3) contributing staff members each with two (2) or more years of experience in the review and evaluation of grants, public safety/community-based intervention program grants preferred.
- **3.** The selected Contractor team shall include at least one (1) contributing staff member with three (3) or more years of experience in managing the review, evaluation, and/or monitoring of grants.
- **4.** The selected Contractor may not be in the process of or considering assisting a prospective CBO with completing or applying for a CTS grant. Prior assistance with completing and submitting a CTS grant application will be reviewed by OAG as part of the review of any conflict of interest (refer to C.3.2). The selected Contractor must disclose any prior involvement in preparing or submitting a CTS grant application.

SECTION D: PACKAGING AND MARKING

Not Applicable.

SECTION E: INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

E.1 The inspection and acceptance requirements for this contract shall be governed by clause number clause number six (6), Inspection of Services of the Government of the District of Columbia's Standard Contract Provisions for use with Supplies and Services Contracts, dated July 2010. (Attachment J.1)

SECTION F: PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE AND DELIVERABLES

F.1 TERM OF CONTRACT

The term of the contract shall be for a period from date of award though October 30, 2023, or completion of services whichever is sooner.

F.2 DELIVERABLES

The Contractor shall perform the activities required to successfully complete the District's requirements and submit each deliverable to the Contract Administrator (CA) identified in section G.9 in accordance with the following:

SOW	Deliverable	Quantity	Format and Method of	Due Date
Section			Delivery	
C.3.1.1	List of Reviewers including any resumes for substitute Reviewers	1	Electronic	Within ten (10) days prior to application due date
C.3.2	Conflict of Interest (COI) Disclosure Affidavit (Attachment J.3) and Participation and Confidentiality Statement (Attachment J.4)	1	Electronic	Upon receipt of grants review assignment
C.3.2	Replacement Reviewer Qualifications and Conflict of Interest (COI) Disclosure Affidavit (Attachment J.3) and Participation and Confidentiality Statement (Attachment J.4)	1	Electronic	Within 24 hours after notification of a Reviewer's recusal
C.3.3.1	Questions or requests for clarifications	1	Electronic	Within 7 days of receipt of applications
C.3.4	Complete Grant Evaluation Packet	1	Electronic	Not more than 11 days from the date of receipt of grant application if no clarifications are required. If clarifications are required, the Contractor will have up to 5 days after receipt of the clarifications to submit the Grant Evaluation Packet.
C.3.5	Revised Evaluation Packet to correct deficiencies	1	Electronic	Within 3 days of notification of deficiencies

SECTION G: CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

G.1 INVOICE PAYMENT

- **G.1.1** The District will make payments to the Contractor, upon the submission of proper invoices, at the prices stipulated in this contract, for supplies delivered and accepted or services performed and accepted, less any discounts, allowances or adjustments provided for in this contract.
- **G.1.2** The District will pay the Contractor on or before the 30th day after receiving a proper invoice from the Contractor.

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G.2 INVOICE SUBMITTAL

- **G.2.1** The Contractor shall create and submit payment requests in an electronic format through the DC Vendor Portal, https://vendorportal.dc.gov
- **G.2.2** The Contractor shall submit proper invoices on a monthly basis or as otherwise specified in Section G.4.
- **G.2.3** To constitute a proper invoice, the Contractor shall enter all required information into the Portal after selecting the applicable purchase order number which is listed on the Contractor's profile.

G.3 RESERVED

G.4 PAYMENT

The District will pay the Contractor after completion of all services and receipt of a proper invoice.

G.5 ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT PAYMENTS

- **G.5.1** In accordance with 27 DCMR 3250, the Contractor may assign to a bank, trust company, or other financing institution funds due or to become due as a result of the performance of this contract.
- **G.5.2** Any assignment shall cover all unpaid amounts payable under this contract, and shall not be made to more than one party.
- **G.5.3** Notwithstanding an assignment of contract payments, the Contractor, not the assignee, is required to prepare invoices. Where such an assignment has been made, the original copy of the invoice must refer to the assignment and must show that payment of the invoice is to be made directly to the assignee as follows:

"Pursuant to the instrument of assignment dated	, make payment of this invoice to
(name and address of assignee)."	

G.6 THE QUICK PAYMENT ACT

G.6.1 Interest Penalties to Contractors

- **G.6.1.1** The District will pay interest penalties on amounts due to the Contractor under the Quick Payment Act, D.C. Official Code § 2-221.01 *et seq.*, as amended, for the period beginning on the day after the required payment date and ending on the date on which payment of the amount is made. Interest shall be calculated at the rate of at least 1% per month. No interest penalty shall be paid if payment for the completed delivery of the item of property or service is made on or before the required payment date. The required payment date shall be:
- **G.6.1.1.1** The date on which payment is due under the terms of this contract;

- **G.6.1.1.2** Not later than 7 calendar days, excluding legal holidays, after the date of delivery of meat or meat food products;
- **G.6.1.1.3** Not later than 10 calendar days, excluding legal holidays, after the date of delivery of a perishable agricultural commodity; or
- **G.6.1.1.4** 30 calendar days, excluding legal holidays, after receipt of a proper invoice for the amount of the payment due.
- **G.6.1.2** No interest penalty shall be due to the Contractor if payment for the completed delivery of goods or services is made on or before:
- **G.6.1.2.1** 3rd day after the required payment date for meat or a meat product;
- **G.6.1.2.2** 5th day after the required payment date for an agricultural commodity; or
- **G.6.1.2.3** 15th day after any other required payment date.
- **G.6.1.3** Any amount of an interest penalty which remains unpaid at the end of any 30-day period shall be added to the principal amount of the debt and thereafter interest penalties shall accrue on the added amount.

G.6.2 Payments to Subcontractors

- **G.6.2.1** The Contractor shall take one of the following actions within seven (7) days of receipt of any amount paid to the Contractor by the District for work performed by any subcontractor under the contract:
- **G.6.2.1.1** Pay the subcontractor(s) for the proportionate share of the total payment received from the District that is attributable to the subcontractor(s) for work performed under the contract; or
- **G.6.2.1.2** Notify the CO and the subcontractor(s), in writing, of the Contractor's intention to withhold all or part of the subcontractor's payment and state the reason for the nonpayment.
- **G.6.2.2** The Contractor shall pay subcontractors or suppliers interest penalties on amounts due to the subcontractor or supplier beginning on the day after the payment is due and ending on the date on which the payment is made. Interest shall be calculated at the rate of at least 1% per month. No interest penalty shall be paid on the following if payment for the completed delivery of the item of property or service is made on or before the:
- **G.6.2.2.1** 3rd day after the required payment date for meat or a meat product;
- G.6.2.2.2 5th day after the required payment date for an agricultural commodity; or
- **G.6.2.2.3** 15th day after any other required payment date.

- **G.6.2.3** Any amount of an interest penalty which remains unpaid by the Contractor at the end of any 30-day period shall be added to the principal amount of the debt to the subcontractor and thereafter interest penalties shall accrue on the added amount.
- **G.6.2.4** A dispute between the Contractor and subcontractor relating to the amounts or entitlement of a subcontractor to a payment or a late payment interest penalty under the Quick Payment Act does not constitute a dispute to which the District is a party. The District may not be interpleaded in any judicial or administrative proceeding involving such a dispute.

G.6.3 Subcontract requirements

- **G.6.3.1** The Contractor shall include in each subcontract under this contract a provision requiring the subcontractor to include in its contract with any lower-tier subcontractor or supplier the payment and interest clauses required under paragraphs (1) and (2) of D.C. Official Code § 2-221.02(d).
- **G.6.3.2** The Contractor shall include in each subcontract under this contract a provision that obligates the Contractor, at the election of the subcontractor, to participate in negotiation or mediation as an alternative to administrative or judicial resolution of a dispute between them.

G.7 CONTRACTING OFFICER (CO)

Contracts will be entered into and signed on behalf of the District only by contracting officers. The contact information for the Contracting Officer is:

Gena Johnson Office of the Attorney General 400 6th Street, NW Washington, DC 20001 Email: Gena.johnson@dc.gov

G.8 AUTHORIZED CHANGES BY THE CONTRACTING OFFICER

- **G.8.1** The CO is the only person authorized to approve changes in any of the requirements of this contract.
- **G.8.2** The Contractor shall not comply with any order, directive or request that changes or modifies the requirements of this contract, unless issued in writing and signed by the CO.
- **G.8.3** In the event the Contractor effects any change at the instruction or request of any person other than the CO, the change will be considered to have been made without authority and no adjustment will be made in the contract price to cover any cost increase incurred as a result thereof.

G.9 CONTRACT ADMINSTRATOR (CA)

- **G.9.1** The CA is responsible for general administration of the contract and advising the CO as to the Contractor's compliance or noncompliance with the contract. The CA has the responsibility of ensuring the work conforms to the requirements of the contract and such other responsibilities and authorities as may be specified in the contract. These include:
- **G.9.1.1** Keeping the CO fully informed of any technical or contractual difficulties encountered during the performance period and advising the CO of any potential problem areas under the contract;
- **G.9.1.2**Coordinating site entry for Contractor personnel, if applicable;
- **G.9.1.3**Reviewing invoices for completed work and recommending approval by the CO if the Contractor's costs are consistent with the negotiated amounts and progress is satisfactory and commensurate with the rate of expenditure;
- **G.9.1.4**Reviewing and approving invoices for deliverables to ensure receipt of goods and services. This includes the timely processing of invoices and vouchers in accordance with the District's payment provisions; and
- **G.9.1.5**Maintaining a file that includes all contract correspondence, modifications, records of inspections (site, data, equipment) and invoice or vouchers.
- **G.9.2** The address and telephone number of the CA is:

Gabbie Breven, MSW | Grants Management Supervisor Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia 400 Sixth Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20001 (202) 258 – 0474 (Mobile)| (202) 788 – 2064 (Office) E-mail: gabrielle.breven@dc.gov

- **G.9.3** The CA shall NOT have the authority to:
 - 1. Award, agree to, or sign any contract, delivery order or task order. Only the CO shall make contractual agreements, commitments or modifications;
 - 2. Grant deviations from or waive any of the terms and conditions of the contract;
 - 3. Increase the dollar limit of the contract or authorize work beyond the dollar limit of the contract,
 - 4. Authorize the expenditure of funds by the Contractor;
 - 5. Change the period of performance; or
 - 6. Authorize the use of District property, except as specified under the contract.
- **G.9.4** The Contractor will be fully responsible for any changes not authorized in advance, in writing, by the CO; may be denied compensation or other relief for any additional work performed that is not so authorized; and may also be required, at no additional cost to the District, to take all corrective action necessitated by reason of the unauthorized changes.

SECTION H: SPECIAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

H.1 RESERVED

H.2 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WAGE DETERMINATIONS

The Contractor shall be bound by the Wage Determination No. 2015-4281, Revision No. 25, dated Dec 27, 2022, issued by the U.S. Department of Labor in accordance with the Service Contract Act, 41 U.S.C. § 351 *et seq.*, and incorporated herein as Attachment J.2. The Contractor shall be bound by the wage rates for the term of the contract subject to revision as stated herein and in accordance with **clause 24 of the SCP**. If an option is exercised, the Contractor shall be bound by the applicable wage rates at the time of the exercise of the option. If the option is exercised and the CO obtains a revised wage determination, the revised wage determination is applicable for the option periods and the Contractor may be entitled to an equitable adjustment.

H.3 PREGNANT WORKERS FAIRNESS

H.3.1 The Contractor shall comply with the Protecting Pregnant Workers Fairness Act of 2016, D.C. Official Code § 32-1231.01 *et seq.* (PPWF Act).

H.3.2 The Contractor shall not:

- (a) Refuse to make reasonable accommodations to the known limitations related to pregnancy, childbirth, related medical conditions, or breastfeeding for an employee, unless the Contractor can demonstrate that the accommodation would impose an undue hardship;
- **(b)** Take an adverse action against an employee who requests or uses a reasonable accommodation in regard to the employee's conditions or privileges of employment, including failing to reinstate the employee when the need for reasonable accommodations ceases to the employee's original job or to an equivalent position with equivalent:
 - (1) Pay;
 - (2) Accumulated seniority and retirement;
 - (3) Benefits; and
 - (4) Other applicable service credits;
- (c) Deny employment opportunities to an employee, or a job applicant, if the denial is based on the need of the employer to make reasonable accommodations to the known limitations related to pregnancy, childbirth, related medical conditions, or breastfeeding;
- (d) Require an employee affected by pregnancy, childbirth, related medical conditions, or breastfeeding to accept an accommodation that the employee chooses not to accept if the employee does not have a known limitation related to pregnancy, childbirth, related medical

conditions, or breastfeeding or the accommodation is not necessary for the employee to perform her duties:

- (e) Require an employee to take leave if a reasonable accommodation can be provided; or
- **(f)** Take adverse action against an employee who has been absent from work as a result of a pregnancy-related condition, including a pre-birth complication.
- **H.3.3** The Contractor shall post and maintain in a conspicuous place a notice of rights in both English and Spanish and provide written notice of an employee's right to a needed reasonable accommodation related to pregnancy, childbirth, related medical conditions, or breastfeeding pursuant to the PPWF Act to:
 - (a) New employees at the commencement of employment;
 - **(b)** Existing employees; and
 - (c) An employee who notifies the employer of her pregnancy, or other condition covered by the PPWF Act, within 10 days of the notification.
- **H.3.4** The Contractor shall provide an accurate written translation of the notice of rights to any non-English or non-Spanish speaking employee.
- **H.3.5** Violations of the PPWF Act shall be subject to civil penalties as described in the Act.

H.4 UNEMPLOYED ANTI-DISCRIMINATION

H.4.1 The Contractor shall comply with the Unemployed Anti-Discrimination Act of 2012, D.C. Official Code § 32-1361 *et seq*.

H.4.2 The Contractor shall not:

- (a) Fail or refuse to consider for employment, or fail or refuse to hire, an individual as an employee because of the individual's status as unemployed; or
- (b) Publish, in print, on the Internet, or in any other medium, an advertisement or announcement for any vacancy in a job for employment that includes:
 - (1) Any provision stating or indicating that an individual's status as unemployed disqualifies the individual for the job; or
 - (2) Any provision stating or indicating that an employment agency will not consider or hire an individual for employment based on that individual's status as unemployed.
- **H.4.3** Violations of the Unemployed Anti-Discrimination Act shall be subject to civil penalties as described in the Act.

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H.10 FAIR CRIMINAL RECORD SCREENING

- **H.10.1** The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the Fair Criminal Record Screening Amendment Act of 2014, effective December 17, 2014 (D.C. Law 20-152) (the "Act" as used in this section). This section applies to any employment, including employment on a temporary or contractual basis, where the physical location of the employment is in whole or substantial part within the District of Columbia.
- **H.10.2** Prior to making a conditional offer of employment, the Contractor shall not require an applicant for employment, or a person who has requested consideration for employment by the Contractor, to reveal or disclose an arrest or criminal accusation that is not then pending or did not result in a criminal conviction.
- **H.10.3** After making a conditional offer of employment, the Contractor may require an applicant to disclose or reveal a criminal conviction.
- **H.10.4** The Contractor may only withdraw a conditional offer of employment, or take adverse action against an applicant, for a legitimate business reason as described in the Act.
- **H.10.5** This section and the provisions of the Act shall not apply:
 - (a) Where a federal or District law or regulation requires the consideration of an applicant's criminal history for the purposes of employment;
 - (b) To a position designated by the employer as part of a federal or District government program or obligation that is designed to encourage the employment of those with criminal histories;
 - (c) To any facility or employer that provides programs, services, or direct care to, children, youth, or vulnerable adults; or
 - (d) To employers that employ less than 11 employees.
- **H.10.6** A person claiming to be aggrieved by a violation of the Act may file an administrative complaint with the District of Columbia Office of Human Rights, and the Commission on Human Rights may impose monetary penalties against the Contractor.

SECTION I: CONTRACT CLAUSES

I.1 APPLICABILITY OF STANDARD CONTRACT PROVISIONS

The Standard Contract Provisions for use with District of Columbia Government Supplies and Services Contracts dated July 2010 ("SCP") are incorporated as part of the contract. To obtain a copy of the SCP go to http://ocp.dc.gov, under Quick Links click on "Required Solicitation Documents".

I.2 CONTRACTS THAT CROSS FISCAL YEARS

Continuation of this contract beyond the current fiscal year is contingent upon future fiscal appropriations.

I.3 CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION

The Contractor shall keep all information relating to any employee or customer of the District in absolute confidence and shall not use the information in connection with any other matters; nor shall it disclose any such information to any other person, firm or corporation, in accordance with the District and federal laws governing the confidentiality of records.

I.4 TIME

Time, if stated in a number of days, will include Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, unless otherwise stated herein.

I.5 RIGHTS IN DATA

Delete Article 42, Rights in Data, of the Standard Contract Provisions dated July 2010 for use with District of Columbia Government Supplies and Services Contracts and substitute the following Article 42, Rights in Data) in its place:

A. Definitions

1. "<u>Products</u>" - A deliverable under any contract that may include commodities, services and/or technology furnished by or through Contractor, including existing and custom Products, such as, but not limited to: a) recorded information, regardless of form or the media on which it may be recorded; b) document research; c) experimental, developmental, or engineering work; d) licensed software; e) components of the hardware environment; f) printed materials (including but not limited to training manuals, system and user documentation, reports, drawings); g) third party software; h) modifications, customizations, custom programs, program listings, programming tools, data, modules, components; and i) any intellectual property embodied therein, whether in tangible or intangible form, including but not limited to utilities, interfaces, templates, subroutines, algorithms, formulas, source code, and object code.

- 2. "<u>Existing Products</u>" Tangible Products and intangible licensed Products that exist prior to the commencement of work under the contract. Existing Products must be identified on the Product prior to commencement of work or else will be presumed to be Custom Products.
- 3. "<u>Custom Products</u>" Products, preliminary, final or otherwise, which are created or developed by Contractor, its subcontractors, partners, employees, resellers or agents for the District under the contract.
- 4. "District" The District of Columbia and its agencies.

B. Title to Project Deliverables

The Contractor acknowledges that it is commissioned by the District to perform services detailed in the contract. The District shall have ownership and rights for the duration set forth in the contract to use, copy, modify, distribute, or adapt Products as follows:

- 1. Existing Products: Title to all Existing Licensed Product(s), whether or not embedded in, delivered or operating in conjunction with hardware or Custom Products, shall remain with Contractor or third party proprietary owner, who retains all rights, title and interest (including patent, trademark or copyrights). Effective upon payment, the District shall be granted an irrevocable, non-exclusive, worldwide, paid-up license to use, execute, reproduce, display, perform, adapt (unless Contractor advises the District as part of Contractor's bid that adaptation will violate existing agreements or statutes and Contractor demonstrates such to the District's satisfaction), and distribute Existing Product to District users up to the license capacity stated in the contract with all license rights necessary to fully effect the general business purpose of the project or work plan or contract. Licenses shall be granted in the name of the District. The District agrees to reproduce the copyright notice and any other legend of ownership on any copies authorized under this paragraph.
- 2. <u>Custom Products</u>: Effective upon Product creation, Contractor hereby conveys, assigns, and transfers to the District the sole and exclusive rights, title and interest in Custom Product(s), whether preliminary, final or otherwise, including all patent, trademark and copyrights. Contractor hereby agrees to take all necessary and appropriate steps to ensure that the Custom Products are protected against unauthorized copying, reproduction and marketing by or through Contractor.

C. Transfers or Assignments of Existing or Custom Products by the District

The District may transfer or assign Existing or Custom Products and the licenses thereunder to another District agency. Nothing herein shall preclude the Contractor from otherwise using the related or underlying general knowledge, skills, ideas, concepts, techniques and experience developed under a project or work plan in the course of Contractor's business.

D. Subcontractor Rights

Whenever any data, including computer software, are to be obtained from a subcontractor under the contract, the Contractor shall use this clause, **Rights in Data**, in the subcontract, without alteration, and no other clause shall be used to enlarge or diminish the District's or the Contractor's rights in that subcontractor data or computer software which is required for the District.

Ε. **Source Code Escrow**

- 1. For all computer software furnished to the District with the rights specified in section B.2, the Contractor shall furnish to the District, a copy of the source code with such rights of the scope as specified in section B.2 of this clause. For all computer software furnished to the District with the restricted rights specified in section B.1 of this clause, the District, if the Contractor either directly or through a successor or affiliate shall cease to provide the maintenance or warranty services provided the District under the contract or any paid-up maintenance agreement, or if the Contractor should be declared insolvent by a court of competent jurisdiction, shall have the right to obtain, for its own and sole use only, a single copy of the current version of the source code supplied under the contract, and a single copy of the documentation associated therewith, upon payment to the person in control of the source code the reasonable cost of making each copy.
- 2. If the Contractor or Product manufacturer/developer of software furnished to the District with the rights specified in section B.1 of this clause offers the source code or source code escrow to any other commercial customers, the Contractor shall either: (1) provide the District with the source code for the Product; (2) place the source code in a third party escrow arrangement with a designated escrow agent who shall be named and identified to the District, and who shall be directed to release the deposited source code in accordance with a standard escrow arrangement acceptable to the District; or (3) will certify to the District that the Product manufacturer/ developer has named the District as a named beneficiary of an established escrow arrangement with its designated escrow agent who shall be named and identified to the District, and who shall be directed to release the deposited source code in accordance with the terms of escrow.
- 3. The Contractor shall update the source code, as well as any corrections or enhancements to the source code, for each new release of the Product in the same manner as provided above, and certify such updating of escrow to the District in writing.

F. **Indemnification and Limitation of Liability**

The Contractor shall indemnify and save and hold harmless the District, its officers, agents and employees acting within the scope of their official duties against any liability, including costs and expenses, (i) for violation of proprietary rights, copyrights, or rights of privacy, arising out of the publication, translation, reproduction, delivery, performance, use or disposition of any data furnished under this contract, or (ii) based upon any data furnished under this contract, or based upon libelous or other unlawful matter contained in such data.

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The Contractor shall not commit or permit any act that will interfere with the performance of work by another District contractor or by any District employee.

I.7 SUBCONTRACTS

The Contractor hereunder shall not subcontract any of the Contractor's work or services to any subcontractor without the prior written consent of the CO. Any work or service so subcontracted shall be performed pursuant to a subcontract agreement, which the District will have the right to review and approve prior to its execution by the Contractor. Any such subcontract shall specify that the Contractor and the subcontractor shall be subject to every provision of this contract. Notwithstanding any such subcontract approved by the District, the Contractor shall remain liable to the District for all Contractor's work and services required hereunder.

I.8 INSURANCE

- A. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS. The Contractor shall procure and maintain, during the entire period of performance under this contract, the types of insurance specified below. The Contractor shall have its insurance broker or insurance company submit a Certificate of Insurance to the CO giving evidence of the required coverage prior to commencing performance under this contract. In no event shall any work be performed until the required Certificates of Insurance signed by an authorized representative of the insurer(s) have been provided to, and accepted by, the CO. All insurance shall be written with financially responsible companies authorized to do business in the District of Columbia or in the jurisdiction where the work is to be performed and have an A.M. Best Company rating of A-VIII or higher. The Contractor shall require all of its subcontractors to carry the same insurance required herein. The Contractor shall ensure that all policies provide that the CO shall be given thirty (30) days prior written notice in the event the stated limit in the declarations page of the policy is reduced via endorsement or the policy is canceled prior to the expiration date shown on the certificate. The Contractor shall provide the CO with ten (10) days prior written notice in the event of non-payment of premium.
 - 1. Commercial General Liability Insurance. The Contractor shall provide evidence satisfactory to the CO with respect to the services performed that it carries \$1,000,000 per occurrence limits; \$2,000,000 aggregate; Bodily Injury and Property Damage including, but not limited to: premises-operations; broad form property damage; Products and Completed Operations; Personal and Advertising Injury; contractual liability and independent contractors. The policy coverage shall include the District of Columbia as an additional insured, shall be primary and non-contributory with any other insurance maintained by the District of Columbia, and shall contain a waiver of subrogation. The Contractor shall maintain Completed Operations coverage for five (5) years following final acceptance of the work performed under this contract.
 - 2. <u>Automobile Liability Insurance</u>. The Contractor shall provide automobile liability insurance to cover all owned, hired or non-owned motor vehicles used in conjunction

- with the performance of this contract. The policy shall provide a \$1,000,000 per occurrence combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage.
- 3. Workers' Compensation Insurance. The Contractor shall provide Workers' Compensation insurance in accordance with the statutory mandates of the District of Columbia or the jurisdiction in which the contract is performed.

<u>Employer's Liability Insurance</u>. The Contractor shall provide employer's liability insurance as follows: \$500,000 per accident for injury; \$500,000 per employee for disease; and \$500,000 for policy disease limit.

- B. DURATION. The Contractor shall carry all required insurance until all contract work is accepted by the District, and shall carry the required General Liability; any required Professional Liability; and any required Employment Practices Liability insurance for five (5) years following final acceptance of the work performed under this contract.
- C. LIABILITY. These are the required minimum insurance requirements established by the District of Columbia. HOWEVER, THE REQUIRED MINIMUM INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS PROVIDED ABOVE WILL NOT IN ANY WAY LIMIT THE CONTRACTOR'S LIABILITY UNDER THIS CONTRACT.
- D. CONTRACTOR'S PROPERTY. Contractor and subcontractors are solely responsible for any loss or damage to their personal property, including but not limited to tools and equipment, scaffolding and temporary structures, rented machinery, or owned and leased equipment. A waiver of subrogation shall apply in favor of the District of Columbia.
- E. MEASURE OF PAYMENT. The District shall not make any separate measure or payment for the cost of insurance and bonds. The Contractor shall include all of the costs of insurance and bonds in the contract price.
- F. NOTIFICATION. The Contractor shall immediately provide the CO with written notice in the event that its insurance coverage has or will be substantially changed, canceled or not renewed, and provide an updated certificate of insurance to the CO.
- G. CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE. The Contractor shall submit certificates of insurance giving evidence of the required coverage as specified in this section prior to commencing work. Evidence of insurance shall be submitted to the CO.
- H. DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION. The Contractor agrees that the District may disclose the name and contact information of its insurers to any third party which presents a claim against the District for any damages or claims resulting from or arising out of work performed by the Contractor, its agents, employees, servants or subcontractors in the performance of this contract.

I.9 RESERVED

I.10 ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

The contract awarded as a result of this RFP will contain the following clause:

ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

A conflict in language shall be resolved by giving precedence to the document in the highest order of priority that contains language addressing the issue in question. The following documents are incorporated into the contract by reference and made a part of the contract in the following order of precedence:

- (1) An applicable Court Order, if any
- (2) Contract document
- (3) Standard Contract Provisions
- (4) Contract attachments other than the Standard Contract Provisions
- (5) RFP, as amended
- (6) BAFOs (in order of most recent to earliest)
- (7) Proposal

I.11 DISPUTES

Delete Article 14, Disputes, of the Standard Contract Provisions dated July 2010 for use with District of Columbia Government Supplies and Services Contracts and substitute the following Article 14, Disputes, in its place:

14. Disputes

All disputes arising under or relating to the contract shall be resolved as provided herein.

- (a) Claims by the Contractor against the District: Claim, as used in paragraph (a) of this clause, means a written assertion by the Contractor seeking, as a matter of right, the payment of money in a sum certain, the adjustment or interpretation of contract terms, or other relief arising under or relating to the contract. A claim arising under a contract, unlike a claim relating to that contract, is a claim that can be resolved under a contract clause that provides for the relief sought by the claimant
 - (1) All claims by a Contractor against the District arising under or relating to a contract shall be in writing and shall be submitted to the CO for a decision. The Contractor's claim shall contain at least the following:
 - (i) A description of the claim and the amount in dispute;
 - (ii) Data or other information in support of the claim;
 - (iii)A brief description of the Contractor's efforts to resolve the dispute prior to filing the claim; and
 - (iii)The Contractor's request for relief or other action by the CO.
 - (2) The CO may meet with the Contractor in a further attempt to resolve the claim by agreement.

- (3) The CO shall issue a decision on any claim within 120 calendar days after receipt of the claim. Whenever possible, the CO shall take into account factors such as the size and complexity of the claim and the adequacy of the information in support of the claim provided by the Contractor.
- (4) The CO's written decision shall do the following:
 - (i) Provide a description of the claim or dispute;
 - (ii) Refer to the pertinent contract terms;
 - (iii) State the factual areas of agreement and disagreement;
 - (iv) State the reasons for the decision, including any specific findings of fact, although specific findings of fact are not required and, if made, shall not be binding in any subsequent proceeding;
 - (v) If all or any part of the claim is determined to be valid, determine the amount of monetary settlement, the contract adjustment to be made, or other relief to be granted;
 - (vi) Indicate that the written document is the CO's final decision; and
 - (vii) Inform the Contractor of the right to seek further redress by appealing the decision to the Contract Appeals Board.
- (5) Failure by the CO to issue a decision on a contract claim within 120 days of receipt of the claim will be deemed to be a denial of the claim, and will authorize the commencement of an appeal to the Contract Appeals Board as provided by D.C. Official Code § 2-360.04.
- (6) If a contractor is unable to support any part of its claim and it is determined that the inability is attributable to a material misrepresentation of fact or fraud on the part of the Contractor, the Contractor shall be liable to the District for an amount equal to the unsupported part of the claim in addition to all costs to the District attributable to the cost of reviewing that part of the Contractor's claim. Liability under this paragraph (a)(6) shall be determined within six (6) years of the commission of the misrepresentation of fact or fraud.
- (7) Pending final decision of an appeal, action, or final settlement, the Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of the contract in accordance with the decision of the CO.
- (b) Claims by the District against the Contractor: Claim as used in paragraph (b) of this clause, means a written demand or written assertion by the District seeking, as a matter of right, the payment of money in a sum certain, the adjustment of contract terms, or other relief arising under or relating to the contract. A claim arising under a contract, unlike a claim relating to that contract, is a claim that can be resolved under a contract clause that provides for the relief sought by the claimant.
 - (1) The CO shall decide all claims by the District against a contractor arising under or relating to a contract.

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- (2) The CO shall send written notice of the claim to the contractor. The CO's written decision shall do the following:
 - (i) Provide a description of the claim or dispute;
 - (ii) Refer to the pertinent contract terms;
 - (iii) State the factual areas of agreement and disagreement;
 - (iv) State the reasons for the decision, including any specific findings of fact, although specific findings of fact are not required and, if made, shall not be binding in any subsequent proceeding;
 - (v) If all or any part of the claim is determined to be valid, determine the amount of monetary settlement, the contract adjustment to be made, or other relief to be granted;
 - (vi) Indicate that the written document is the CO's final decision; and
 - (vii) Inform the Contractor of the right to seek further redress by appealing the decision to the Contract Appeals Board.
 - (3) The CO shall support the decision by reasons and shall inform the Contractor of its rights as provided herein.
 - (4) Before or after issuing the decision, the CO may meet with the Contractor to attempt to resolve the claim by agreement.
 - (5) The authority contained in this paragraph (b) shall not apply to a claim or dispute for penalties or forfeitures prescribed by statute or regulation which another District agency is specifically authorized to administer, settle or determine.
 - (6) This paragraph shall not authorize the CO to settle, compromise, pay, or otherwise adjust any claim involving fraud.
- (c) Decisions of the CO shall be final and not subject to review unless the Contractor timely commences an administrative appeal for review of the decision, by filing a complaint with the Contract Appeals Board, as authorized by D.C. Official Code § 2-360.04.
- (d) Pending final decision of an appeal, action, or final settlement, the Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of the contract in accordance with the decision of the CO.

I.12 CHANGES

Delete clause 15, Changes, of the Standard Contract Provisions dated July 2010 for use with District of Columbia Government Supplies and Services Contracts and substitute the following clause 15, Changes in its place:

15. Changes:

- (a) The CO may, at any time, by written order, and without notice to the surety, if any, make changes in the contract within the general scope hereof. If such change causes an increase or decrease in the cost of performance of the contract, or in the time required for performance, an equitable adjustment shall be made. Any claim for adjustment for a change within the general scope must be asserted within ten (10) days from the date the change is ordered; provided, however, that the CO, if he or she determines that the facts justify such action, may receive, consider, and adjust any such claim asserted at any time prior to the date of final settlement of the contract. If the parties fail to agree upon the adjustment to be made, the dispute shall be determined as provided in **clause 14 Disputes**.
- (b) The District shall not require the Contractor, and the Contractor shall not require a subcontractor, to undertake any work that is beyond the original scope of the contract or subcontract, including work under a District-issued change order, when the additional work increases the contract price beyond the not-to-exceed price or negotiated maximum price of the contract, unless the CO:
 - (1) Agrees with the Contractor, and if applicable the subcontractor, on a price for the additional work;
 - (2) Obtains a certification of funding to pay for the additional work;
 - (3) Makes a written, binding commitment with the Contractor to pay for the additional work within thirty (30) days after the Contractor submits a proper invoice; and
 - (4) Provides the Contractor with written notice of the funding certification.
- (c) The Contractor shall include in its subcontracts a clause that requires the Contractor to:
 - (1) Within five (5) business days of its receipt of notice of the approved additional funding, provide the subcontractor with notice of the amount to be paid to the subcontractor for the additional work to be performed by the subcontractor;
 - (2) Pay the subcontractor any undisputed amount to which the subcontractor is entitled for the additional work within ten (10) days of receipt of payment from the District; and
 - (3) Notify the subcontractor and CO in writing of the reason(s) the Contractor withholds any payment from a subcontractor for the additional work.
- (d) Neither the District, Contractor, nor any subcontractor may declare another party to be in default, or assess, claim, or pursue damages for delays until the parties agree on a price for the additional work.

I.13 NON-DISCRIMINATION CLAUSE

Delete clause 19, Non-Discrimination Clause, of the Standard Contract Provisions dated July 2010 for use with District of Columbia Government Supplies and Services Contracts and substitute the following clause 19, Non-Discrimination Clause, in its place:

19. Non-Discrimination Clause:

- (a) The Contractor shall not discriminate in any manner against any employee or applicant for employment that would constitute a violation of the District of Columbia Human Rights Act, effective December 13, 1977, as amended (D.C. Law 2-38; D.C. Official Code § 2-1401.01 *et seq.*) ("Act", as used in this clause). The Contractor shall include a similar clause in all subcontracts, except subcontracts for standard commercial supplies or raw materials. In addition, the Contractor agrees, and any subcontractor shall agree, to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a notice setting forth the provisions of this non-discrimination clause as provided in section 251 of the Act.
- (a) Pursuant to Mayor's Order 85-85, (6/10/85), Mayor's Order 2002-175 (10/23/02), Mayor's Order 2011-155 (9/9/11) and the rules of the Office of Human Rights, Chapter 11 of Title 4 of the D.C. Municipal Regulations, the following clauses apply to the contract:
 - (1) The Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of actual or perceived: race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, personal appearance, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, family responsibilities, genetic information, disability, matriculation, political affiliation, or credit information. Sexual harassment is a form of sex discrimination which is prohibited by the Act. In addition, harassment based on any of the above protected categories is prohibited by the Act.
 - (2) The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their actual or perceived: race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, personal appearance, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, family responsibilities, genetic information, disability, matriculation, political affiliation, or credit information. The affirmative action shall include, but not be limited to the following:
 - (a) employment, upgrading or transfer;
 - (b) recruitment, or recruitment advertising;
 - (c) demotion, layoff or termination;
 - (d) rates of pay, or other forms of compensation; and
 - (e) selection for training and apprenticeship.
 - (3) The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the contracting agency, setting forth the provisions in paragraphs 19(b)(1) and (b)(2) concerning non-discrimination and affirmative action.
 - (4) The Contractor shall, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment pursuant to the non-discrimination requirements set forth in paragraph 19(b)(2).
 - (5) The Contractor agrees to send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the contracting agency, advising the said labor union or workers' representative of that contractor's commitments

under this nondiscrimination clause and the Act, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

- (6) The Contractor agrees to permit access to its books, records, and accounts pertaining to its employment practices, by the Chief Procurement Officer or designee, or the Director of the Office of Human Rights or designee, for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with the Act, and to require under terms of any subcontractor agreement each subcontractor to permit access of such subcontractors' books, records, and accounts for such purposes.
- (7) The Contractor agrees to comply with the provisions of the Act and with all guidelines for equal employment opportunity applicable in the District adopted by the Director of the Office of Human Rights, or any authorized official.
- (8) The Contractor shall include in every subcontract the equal opportunity clauses, i.e., paragraphs 19(b)(1) through (b)(9) of this clause, so that such provisions shall be binding upon each subcontractor.
- (9) The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontract as the CO may direct as a means of enforcing these provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance; provided, however, that in the event the Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the contracting agency, the Contractor may request the District to enter into such litigation to protect the interest of the District.

I.14 COST AND PRICING DATA

Delete Article 25, Cost and Pricing Data, of the Standard Contract Provisions dated July 2010 for use with District of Columbia Government Supplies and Services Contracts.

SECTION J: ATTACHMENTS

The following list of attachments is incorporated into the solicitation by reference.

Attachment Number	Document
J.1	Government of the District of Columbia Standard Contract Provisions for Use with the Supplies and Services Contracts (July 2010) available at http://ocp.dc.gov, under Quick Links click on "Required Solicitation Documents"
J.2	U.S. Department of Labor Wage Determination No. 2015-4281, Revision No. 25, dated Dec 27, 2022 (available at https://wdolhome.sam.gov/)
J.3	Conflict of Interest (COI) Disclosure Affidavit (to be provided after award)

Attachment Number	Document
J.4	Participation and Confidentiality Agreement (to be provided after award)
J.5	Way to Work Amendment Act of 2006 - Living Wage Notice available at http://ocp.dc.gov, under Quick Links click on "Required Solicitation Documents"
J.6	Way to Work Amendment Act of 2006 - Living Wage Fact Sheet available at http://ocp.dc.gov, under Quick Links click on "Required Solicitation Documents"
J.7	Cure the Streets Rubric Template (provided with this solicitation)
J.8	Case Study for Evaluation Purposes (provided with this solicitation) A. Proposal Narrative B. Budget Narrative

SECTION K: REPRESENTATIONS, CERTIFICATIONS AND OTHER STATEMENTS OF OFFERORS

Bidder/Offeror Certification Form

available at http://ocp.dc.gov, under Quick Links click on "Required Solicitation Documents"

SECTION L: INSTRUCTIONS, CONDITIONS AND NOTICES TO OFFERORS

L.1 CONTRACT AWARD

L.1.1 Most Advantageous to the District

The District intends to award a single contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the District, cost or price, technical and other factors, specified elsewhere in this solicitation considered.

L.1.2 SELECTION OF NEGOTIATION PROCESS

In accordance with 27 DCMR § 5035, after evaluation of the proposals using only the criteria stated in the RFP and in accordance with weightings provided in the RFP, the CO may elect to proceed with any method of negotiations, discussions or award of the contract without negotiations, which is set forth in §§ 5035.9 and 5035.10. If the CO elects to proceed with negotiations under §5035.10, the CO may limit, for purposes of efficiency, the number of proposals in the competitive range to the greatest number that will permit an efficient competition among the most highly rated proposals.

L.2 PROPOSAL ORGANIZATION AND CONTENT

- **L.2.1** This solicitation will be conducted electronically. To be considered, an offeror must submit the required proposal, certifications and attachments to gena.johnson@dc.gov before the closing date and time. Paper, telephonic, telegraphic, and facsimile proposals may not be accepted.
- **L.2.2** All attachments shall be submitted as a .pdf file. The District will not be responsible for corruption of any file submitted. If the submitted file cannot be viewed and printed as submitted, it will not be considered.
- **L.2.3** The offeror shall submit in its electronic submittal: (1) a technical proposal, (2) a price proposal, and (3) all required certifications and attachments.

L.2.4 Proposal Instructions:

A. The offeror shall include in its Technical Proposal, the following:

1. Offeror's Experience and Qualifications

The offeror shall provide a narrative describing the offeror's qualifications and experience. The offeror shall provide the names and contact information of at least two (2) clients for which the offeror has provided similar grant review services. The offeror shall disclose any previous involvement in preparing or submitting CTS grant applications.

2. Staff Experience and Qualifications

The offeror shall provide resumes of proposed staff members (or subcontractors) to be assigned to this project demonstrating the individual's qualifications and experience in providing grant review services. The offeror must have a reasonable expectation that the proposed staff will be available if the offeror is the selected contractor.

3. Project Plan and Approach/Methodology

The offeror shall provide a narrative describing the offeror's approach to providing the required services, including the proposed staffing plan and the offeror's Quality Assurance process.

4. Demonstrated Technical Capacity/Case Study

The offeror shall review the sample grant application (Attachment J.8) and complete the evaluation template (Attachment J.7) for this case study and include the completed evaluation in its proposal.

- B. The offeror shall include in its Price Proposal, a completed Price Schedule (section B.3).
- **L.2.5** Offerors are directed to the specific proposal evaluation criteria found in Section M of this solicitation, Evaluation Factors. The offeror shall respond to each factor in a way that will allow the District to evaluate the offeror's response. The offeror shall submit information in a clear, concise, factual and logical manner providing a comprehensive description of program supplies and services and delivery thereof. The information requested for the technical proposal shall facilitate evaluation for all proposals. The technical proposal must contain sufficient detail to provide a clear and concise response fully reflecting the manner in which the offeror proposes to fully meet the requirements in Section C.
- **L.2.6** Offerors shall complete, sign and submit all Representations, Certifications and Acknowledgments as appropriate.
- **L.2.7** The District will reject any offer that fails to include a subcontracting plan that is required by law.

L.3 REQUIREMENT FOR AN ELECTRONIC COPY OF PROPOSALS TO BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC

In addition to the proposal submission requirements in Section L.2 above, the offeror must submit an electronic copy of its proposal, redacted in accordance with any applicable exemptions from disclosure under D.C. Official Code § 2-534. Redacted copies of the offeror's proposal must be submitted by email attachment to the contact person designated in the solicitation. D.C. Official Code § 2-536(b) requires the District to make available electronically copies of records that must be made public. The District's policy is to release documents relating to District proposals following award of the contract, subject to applicable Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) exemption under § 2-534(a)(1). Successful proposals will be published on the OCP website in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2-361.04, subject to applicable FOIA exemptions.

L.4 PROPOSAL SUBMISSION DATE AND TIME, AND LATE SUBMISSIONS, LATE MODIFICATIONS, WITHDRAWAL OR MODIFICATION OF PROPOSALS AND LATE PROPOSALS

L.4.1 Proposal Submission

- **L.4.1.1** Proposals must be emailed to gena.johnson@dc.gov no later than the closing date and time.
- **L.4.1.2** Paper, telephonic, telegraphic, and facsimile proposals may not be accepted or considered for award.
- **L.4.1.3** It is solely the offeror's responsibility to ensure that it begins the upload process in sufficient time to get the attachments submitted before the closing time.

L.4.2 Withdrawal or Modification of Proposals

An offeror may notify the Contracting Officer, via email, if it intends to modify or withdraw its proposal at any time before the closing date and time for receipt of proposals.

L.4.3 Late Proposals

The District will not accept late proposals or modifications to proposals after the closing date and time for receipt of proposals, unless the CO determines that acceptance of the late proposal or modification is in the best interest of the District.

L.4.4 Late Modifications

A late modification of a successful proposal, which makes its terms more favorable to the District, shall be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.

L.5 EXPLANATION TO PROSPECTIVE OFFERORS

If a prospective offeror has any questions relating to this solicitation, the prospective offeror shall submit the question electronically to gena.johnson@dc.gov. The prospective offeror should submit questions no later than **five** (5) days prior to the closing date and time indicated for this solicitation. The District may not consider any questions received less than **five** (5) days before the date set for submission of proposals. The District will furnish responses via email or by issuing an amendment to the solicitation and posting it on the OAG website. An amendment to the solicitation will be issued if the CO decides that information is necessary in submitting offers, or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to any prospective offeror. Oral explanations or instructions given by District officials before the award of the contract will not be binding.

L.6 RESTRICTION ON DISCLOSURE AND USE OF DATA

L.6.1 Offerors who include in their proposal data that they do not want disclosed to the public or used by the District except for use in the procurement process shall mark the title page with the following legend:

"This proposal includes data that shall not be disclosed outside the District and shall not be duplicated, used or disclosed in whole or in part for any purpose except for use in the procurement process.

If, however, a contract is awarded to this offeror as a result of or in connection with the submission of this data, the District will have the right to duplicate, use, or disclose the data to the extent consistent with the District's needs in the procurement process. This restriction does not limit the District's rights to use, without restriction, information contained in this proposal if it is obtained from another source. The data subject to this restriction are contained in sheets (insert page numbers or other identification of sheets)."

L.6.2 Mark each sheet of data it wishes to restrict with the following legend:

"Use or disclosure of data contained on this sheet is subject to the restriction on the title page of this proposal."

L.7 PROPOSALS WITH OPTION YEARS

The offeror shall include option year prices in its price/cost proposal. An offer may be determined to be unacceptable if it fails to include pricing for the option year(s).

L.8 PROPOSAL PROTESTS

Any actual or prospective offeror or contractor who is aggrieved in connection with the solicitation or award of a contract, must file with the D.C. Contract Appeals Board (Board) a protest no later than ten (10) business days after the basis of protest is known or should have been known, whichever is earlier. A protest based on alleged improprieties in a solicitation which are apparent at the time set for receipt of initial proposals shall be filed with the Board prior to the time set for receipt of initial proposals. In procurements in which proposals are requested, alleged improprieties which do not exist in the initial solicitation, but which are subsequently incorporated into the solicitation, must be protested no later than the next closing time for receipt of proposals following the incorporation. The protest shall be filed in writing, with the Contract Appeals Board, 441 4th Street, N.W., Suite 350N, Washington, D.C. 20001. The aggrieved person shall also mail a copy of the protest to the CO for the solicitation.

L.9 UNNECESSARILY ELABORATE PROPOSALS

Unnecessarily elaborate brochures or other presentations beyond those sufficient to present a complete and effective response to this solicitation are not desired and may be construed as an indication of the offeror's lack of cost consciousness. Elaborate artwork, expensive visual and other presentation aids are neither necessary nor desired.

L.10 RETENTION OF PROPOSALS

All proposal documents will be the property of the District and retained by the District, and therefore will not be returned to the offerors.

L.11 PROPOSAL COSTS

The District is not liable for any costs incurred by the offerors in submitting proposals in response to this solicitation.

L.12 CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE

Prior to commencing work, the Contractor shall have its insurance broker or insurance company submit certificates of insurance giving evidence of the required coverages as specified in Section I.8 to the CO.

L.13 ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AMENDMENTS

The offeror shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation by including a signed copy with its proposal. The District must receive the acknowledgment by the date and time specified for receipt of proposals. An offeror's failure to acknowledge an amendment may result in rejection of its offer.

L.14 BEST AND FINAL OFFERS

If, subsequent to receiving original proposals, negotiations are conducted under 27 DCMR §5035.9 (b), all offerors within the competitive range will be so notified and will be provided an opportunity to submit written best and final offers at a designated date and time. Best and final offers will be subject to the Late Submissions, Late Modifications and Late Withdrawals of Proposals provisions of the solicitation. After evaluation of best and final offers, the CO may award the contract to the highest-ranked offeror, or negotiate with the highest ranked offeror in accordance with 27 DCMR §5035.

L.15 LEGAL STATUS OF OFFEROR

Each proposal must provide the following information:

- **L.15.1** Name, address, telephone number and federal tax identification number of offeror;
- **L.15.2** A copy of each District of Columbia license, registration or certification that the offeror is required by law to obtain. If the offeror is a corporation or partnership and does not provide a copy of its license, registration or certification to transact business in the District of Columbia, the offer shall certify its intent to obtain the necessary license, registration or certification prior to contract award or its exemption from such requirements; and
- **L.15.3** If the offeror is a partnership or joint venture, the names and addresses of the general partners or individual members of the joint venture, and copies of any joint venture or teaming agreements.

L.16 FAMILIARIZATION WITH CONDITIONS

Offerors shall thoroughly familiarize themselves with the terms and conditions of this solicitation, acquainting themselves with all available information regarding difficulties which may be encountered, and the conditions under which the work is to be accomplished. Contractors will not be relieved from

assuming all responsibility for properly estimating the difficulties and the cost of performing the services required herein due to their failure to investigate the conditions or to become acquainted with all information, schedules and liability concerning the services to be performed.

L.17 GENERAL STANDARDS OF RESPONSIBILITY

The prospective contractor must demonstrate to the satisfaction of the District its capability in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements; therefore, the prospective contractor must submit relevant documentation within five (5) days of the request by the District.

L.17.1 To be determined responsible, a prospective contractor must demonstrate that it:

- (a) Has adequate financial resources, or the ability to obtain such resources, required to perform the contract;
- (b) Is able to comply with the required or proposed delivery or performance schedule, taking into consideration all existing commercial and government contract commitments;
- (c) Has a satisfactory performance record;
- (d) Has a satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics;
- (e) Has a satisfactory record of compliance with the applicable District licensing and tax laws and regulations;
- (f) Has a satisfactory record of compliance with the law, including labor and civil rights laws and rules, and the First Source Employment Agreement Act of 1984, as amended, D.C. Official Code § 2-219.01 *et seq.*;
- (g) Has, or has the ability to obtain, the necessary organization, experience, accounting, and operational control, and technical skills;
- (h) Has, or has the ability to obtain, the necessary production, construction, technical equipment, and facilities;
- (i) Has not exhibited a pattern of overcharging the District;
- (j) Does not have an outstanding debt with the District or the federal government in a delinquent status; and
- (k) Is otherwise qualified and is eligible to receive an award under applicable laws and regulations.
- **L.17.2** If the prospective contractor fails to supply the information requested, the CO shall make the determination of responsibility or non-responsibility based upon available information. If the available information is insufficient to make a determination of responsibility, the CO shall determine the prospective contractor to be non-responsible.

SECTION M - EVALUATION FACTORS

M.1 EVALUATION FOR AWARD

The contract will be awarded to the responsible offeror whose offer is most advantageous to the District, based upon the evaluation criteria specified below. Thus, while the points in the evaluation criteria indicate their relative importance, the total scores will not necessarily be determinative of the award. Rather, the total scores will guide the District in making an intelligent award decision based upon the evaluation criteria.

M.2 TECHNICAL RATING

M.2.1 The Technical Rating Scale is as follows:

Numeric Rating	Adjective	Description
0	Unacceptable	Fails to meet minimum
		requirements; e.g., no
		demonstrated capacity, major
		deficiencies which are not
		correctable; offeror did not
		address the factor.
1	Poor	Marginally meets minimum
		requirements; major deficiencies
		which may be correctable.
2	Minimally	Marginally meets minimum
	Acceptable	requirements; minor deficiencies
		which may be correctable.
3	Acceptable	Meets requirements; no
		deficiencies.
4	Good	Meets requirements and exceeds
		some requirements; no
		deficiencies.
5	Excellent	Exceeds most, if not all
		requirements; no deficiencies.

M.2.2 The technical rating is a weighting mechanism that will be applied to the point value for each evaluation factor to determine the offeror's score for each factor. The offeror's total technical score will be determined by adding the offeror's score in each evaluation factor. For example, if an evaluation factor has a point value range of zero (0) to forty (40) points, using the Technical Rating Scale above, if the District evaluates the offeror's response as "Good," then the score for that evaluation factor is 4/5 of 40 or 32.

If subfactors are applied, the offeror's total technical score will be determined by adding the offeror's score for each subfactor. For example, if an evaluation factor has a point value range of zero (0) to forty (40) points, with two subfactors of twenty (20) points each, using the

Technical Rating Scale above, if the District evaluates the offeror's response as "Good" for the first subfactor and "Poor" for the second subfactor, then the total score for that evaluation factor is 4/5 of 20 or 16 for the first subfactor plus 1/5 of 20 or 4 for the second subfactor, for a total of 20 for the entire factor.

M.3 EVALUATION CRITERIA

Proposals will be evaluated based on the following evaluation factors in the manner described below:

M.3.1 TECHNICAL CRITERIA (90 Points Maximum)

A. Contractor Experience and Qualifications (30 pts)

The offeror has demonstrated its qualifications and experience in providing similar grant application review services. At minimum, the offeror meets the qualifications outlined in section C.4.1. The offeror has provided satisfactory grant review services to other clients [The District will contact the offeror's client references to obtain a past performance evaluation]. The offeror has not had any prior involvement in preparing or submitting a CTS grant applications.

B. Staff Experience and Qualifications (25 pts)

The offeror has demonstrated that the proposed staff to be assigned to this project have the qualifications and experience to satisfactorily provide the required service. At minimum, the offeror's proposed staff meets the qualifications outlined in in section C.4.2 and C.4.3.

C. Demonstrated Technical Capacity/Case Study (20pts)

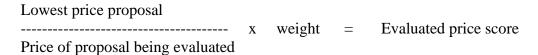
The offeror has demonstrated its ability to provide a professional, error-free, well justified evaluation of the sample grant application and has followed the scoring template provided.

D. Project Plan and Approach/Methodology (15 pts)

The offeror has demonstrated of a clear understanding of the needs of the Program, provided a satisfactory approach to providing services, provided an adequate staffing plan, and has an established Quality Assurance (QA) process that will ensure that deliverables provided will meet the requirements.

M.3.2 PRICE CRITERION (10 Points Maximum)

The price evaluation will be objective. The offeror with the lowest price will receive the maximum price points. All other proposals will receive a proportionately lower total score. The following formula will be used to determine each offeror's evaluated price score:



M.3.3 PREFERENCE POINTS AWARDED PURSUANT TO SECTION M.5.2 (12 Points Maximum)

M.3.4 TOTAL POINTS (112 Points Maximum)

Total points shall be the cumulative total of the offeror's technical criteria points, price criterion points and preference points, if any.

M.4 EVALUATION OF OPTION YEARS

The District will evaluate offers for award purposes by evaluating the total price for all options as well as the base year. Evaluation of options shall not obligate the District to exercise them. The total District's requirements may change during the option years. Quantities to be awarded will be determined at the time each option is exercised.

M.5. PREFERENCES FOR CERTIFIED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES

Under the provisions of the "Small and Certified Business Enterprise Development and Assistance Act of 2014", D.C. Official Code § 2-218.01 *et seq.*, as amended ("Act", as used in this section), the District shall apply preferences in evaluating proposals from businesses that are certified by the Department of Small and Local Business Development (DSLBD) pursuant to Part D of the Act.

M.5.1 Application of Preferences

For evaluation purposes, the allowable preferences under the Act shall be applicable to prime contractors as follows:

- **M.5.1.1** Any prime contractor that is a small business enterprise (SBE) certified by the DSLBD will receive the addition of three points on a 100-point scale added to the overall score.
- **M.5.1.2** Any prime contractor that is a resident-owned business (ROB) certified by DSLBD will receive the addition of five points on a 100-point scale added to the overall score.
- **M.5.1.3** Any prime contractor that is a longtime resident business (LRB) certified by DSLBD will receive the addition of five points on a 100-point scale added to the overall score.
- **M.5.1.4** Any prime contractor that is a local business enterprise (LBE) certified by DSLBD will receive the addition of two points on a 100-point scale added to the overall score.
- **M.5.1.5** Any prime contractor that is a local business enterprise with its principal offices located in an enterprise zone (DZE) certified by DSLBD will receive the addition of two points on a 100-point scale added to the overall score.
- **M.5.1.6** Any prime contractor that is a disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE) certified by DSLBD will receive the addition of two points on a 100-point scale added to the overall score.
- **M.5.1.7** Any prime contractor that is a veteran-owned business (VOB) certified by DSLBD will receive the addition of two points on a 100-point scale added to the overall score.

M.5.1.8 Any prime contractor that is a local manufacturing business enterprise (LMBE) certified by DSLBD will receive the addition of two points on a 100-point scale added to the overall score.

M.5.2 Maximum Preference Awarded

Notwithstanding the availability of the preceding preferences, the maximum total preference to which a certified business enterprise is entitled under the Act is the equivalent of twelve (12) points on a 100-point scale for proposals submitted in response to this RFP. There will be no preference awarded for subcontracting by the prime contractor with certified business enterprises.

M.5.3 Preferences for Certified Joint Ventures

A certified joint venture will receive preferences as determined by DSLBD in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2-218.39a(h).

M.5.4 Verification of Offeror's Certification as a Certified Business Enterprise

- **M.5.4.1** Any vendor seeking to receive preferences on this solicitation must be certified at the time of submission of its proposal. The CO will verify the offeror's certification with DSLBD, and the offeror should not submit with its proposal any additional documentation regarding its certification as a certified business enterprise.
- **M.5.4.2** Any vendor seeking certification in order to receive preferences under this solicitation should contact the:

Department of Small and Local Business Development ATTN: CBE Certification Program 441 Fourth Street, NW, Suite 850N Washington DC 20001

M.5.4.3 All vendors are encouraged to contact DSLBD at (202) 727-3900 if additional information is required on certification procedures and requirements.

M.6 EVALUATION OF PROMPT PAYMENT DISCOUNT

- **M.6.1** Prompt payment discounts shall not be considered in the evaluation of offers. However, any discount offered will form a part of the award and will be taken by the District if payment is made within the discount period specified by the offeror.
- **M.6.2** In connection with any discount offered, time will be computed from the date of delivery of the supplies to carrier when delivery and acceptance are at point of origin, or from date of delivery at destination when delivery, installation and acceptance are at that, or from the date correct invoice or voucher is received in the office specified by the District, if the latter date is later than date of delivery. Payment is deemed to be made for the purpose of earning the discount on the date of mailing of the District check.